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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements filed in the present application on August 20, 1999, as well as to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statements filed in the present application on June 14, 2000, December 20, 2000 and November 8, 2001, Applicant hereby calls to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

A Japanese Notice of the Reason for the Rejection dated July 27, 1999 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 10-274920, in which the following documents were cited:

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 4-235434, published on August 24, 1992, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 10-233879, published on September 2, 1998, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

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Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 9-163064, published on June 20, 1997, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 10-247179, published on September 14, 1998, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 8-223346, published on August 30, 1996, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 10-65853, published on March 6, 1998, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

A Japanese Notice of the Reason for the Rejection dated October 5, 1999 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 10-274920, in which the following document was cited:

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 10-191010, published on July 21, 1998, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

A Japanese Notice of the Reason for the Rejection dated November 30, 1999 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 10-274920, in which the following document was cited:

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 10-191463, published on July 21, 1998, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

A Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejecting a Demand for Correction dated October 2, 2002 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 10-274920 (Japanese Patent No. 3135532), in which the following documents were cited:

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patent family members U.S. Patent Nos. 5,956,487 and 6,170,007 are enclosed.

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 5-347677, published on December 27, 1993, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 9-331416, published on December 22, 1997, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 8-305520, published on November 22, 1996, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 8-339274, published on December 24, 1996, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

Applicants note that the relevance of each of the above-mentioned documents with respect to the various claims of the Japanese application, as well as the relevant passages of these documents, is as discussed in the Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejections and the Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejecting a Demand for Correction, copies of which are attached hereto (together with English language translations of the same).

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite above-noted documents. Copies of the documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and return a signed copy of the form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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